

Hutchins Unit Facility Process Manual	Effective Date:	01/07	NUMBER: E-34.1 Page 1 of 1
	Reviewed:	11/09	
	Replaces:	3-10	
	Formulated:	10/85	

HEALTH APPRAISAL OF INCOMING OFFENDERS

FACILITY POLICY:

The Hutchins Facility is a reception and diagnostic facility for new offenders. A comprehensive medical evaluation is provided to all new incoming offenders within seven days of their arrival at the Hutchins Facility. Offenders who have had a health appraisal in TDCJ within the previous ninety (90) days are evaluated at the discretion of the facility health authority.

FACILITY PROCESS:

- I. Appraisal of new offenders consists of obtaining personal and medical baseline data; medical, mental health and dental histories; physical, dental and mental health assessments; and diagnostic procedures as needed. (Refer to UTMB CMC Standard Operating Procedure "Intake Health Appraisal.")
- II. Offenders are screened for communicable diseases.
- III. Offenders are provided with appropriate inoculations.
- IV. Offenders' health records are requested from free-world physicians as needed.
- V. Offenders identified as requiring further mental health assessment are interviewed, tested and evaluated by a qualified mental health professional (see Hutchins Facility Process E-35).
- VI. The automated "Health Summary for Classification" screen is updated as needed for each new arrival (see Hutchins Facility Process A-08.4).
- VII. Medications, appointments and referrals are scheduled as appropriate, based on the results of the health appraisal.

Reference:

UTMB CMC Standard Operating Procedure "Intake Health Appraisal"
ACA Standard 4-4362 (Ref. 3-4343), Health Screens (Mandatory)
ACA Standard 4-4365 (Ref. 3-4345) Health Appraisal (Mandatory)

